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Wellbore casing with radially expanded liner extruded off of a mandrel

(57) An expandable threaded connection includes a first tubular member, a second tubular member and a threaded connection for coupling the tubular members that includes one or more sealing members.

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